

Meredith, community remembered great civil rights leader monday

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Born January 15, 1929, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. would have celebrated his seventy-fifth birthday this year. In honor of his memory, millions of grateful Americans celebrated and rejoiced for him this past weekend.

The festivities kicked off in Raleigh last Saturday with the 23rd annual "King Celebration," organized by the Raleigh/Wake Martin Luther King Celebration Committee. The three-day festival hosted a variety of wholesome, racially diverse events including a "Building Meaningful Race Relations" town hall meeting, an interfaith prayer breakfast and the annual Martin Luther King Memorial March downtown.

Meredith College got in on the action by hosting a Martin Luther King, Jr. worship service in Jones

Chapel last Wednesday morning. Pastor Ronald Avery of St. Matthews Baptist Church led the hour-long commemoration.

Meredith continues to recognize Dr. King tonight by hosting a free seminar presented by guest speaker Chuck Fager entitled

"Campus Dialogue on Diversity: Marching With the King." Fager worked for King's Southern Christian Leadership Conference in Alabama during the civil rights campaign. Fager's Dialogue is



Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. holding his Nobel Peace Prize.

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open to the public and will be held at 6:30 p.m. tonight in Kresge Auditorium.

With the terrific onslaught of events designed to honor King, one might be surprised to learn that it was not until

as inequality continues to fade and acceptance of diversity flourishes in the United States of America.

January of 1986, only 18 years ago, that Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday was recognized as a national holiday.

However, it is not just one weekend a year that we are reminded of the ramifications of King's valor, his legacy flourishes every day

"I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: 'We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal.' I have a dream that one day on the red hills of Georgia the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slaveowners will be able to sit down together at a table of brotherhood."

Excerpt from King's speech delivered on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington D.C. on August

Basketball team faced rival Peace College last week

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The Meredith College basketball team fought a hard game but unfortunately came up short against Peace College last Wednesday with a final score of 73-83. The tone was set early in the game, with fast breaks and easy transitional baskets for both teams.

The Angels went into halftime trailing by five points. Meredith started the second half by tying the game at 39 after four minutes of play. The rest of the

game was an exchanging of baskets back and forth until the one-minute thirty mark, when Peace broke out in front with a series of foul shots sealing the game.

Tina Harkness led the team with 18 points, while Amira Issa led the team in rebounding with 8. Laurie Mulqueeny had 4 steals and Ruth Stephenson led the team with 4 assists.

After the game, senior co-captain Tina Harkness said, "The Peace game was a tough one to lose because they are our cross-town rival. But we played hard to come back from 18

down in the first half. We will see them again at Peace on their senior night, and we will be ready."

She also added, "It was great to see the support from the Meredith community and students at the game. I hope that Meredith students will continue to come out and support us because we love to see them yelling and screaming in the stands."

There was campus wide support for the basketball team that day with a banner contest between dorms, door prizes at the game and even a halftime free throw

contest sponsored by the Meredith soccer team. The gym was packed, and emotions were running wild that Wednesday evening. Meredith will play Peace again, on February 21st at 7:00 p.m. at Peace.

This past Friday, Meredith visited the Newport Apprentice College and lost with a score of 53-83.

The Angels came back strong at home and got a win against Warren Wilson College over the weekend, with a final score of 95-39.

Upcoming Games

JANUARY 22

@ N.C. Wesleyan College at 7 p.m.

JANUARY 24

Barber-Scotia at 7 p.m.

JANUARY 28

Averett College at 7 p.m.